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In re application of:

JERRY W. MALCOLM ET AL

Serial No.: 08/909,340

Filed: August 11, 1997

For: GROUPING SELECTED

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

A one month extension of time is believed to be required. An appropriate petition and fee are enclosed.

No further fees are believed to be necessary; however, in the event that any additional fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please charge any necessary fees to Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. No further extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an additional extension of time is needed, the extension is requested and please charge the fee for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

A method ϕ f facilitating account statement (twice amended)

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